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Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2002, the term for response to which expires on November 27, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1 to 4, 6 to 8 and 11 to 13 to read as follows:

*B1* 1. (Twice Amended) A therapeutic agent composition for a corneal epithelial disorder comprising a compound having an effect of activating Rho as an active ingredient and a pharmacological carrier.